



Florida Division of Emergency Management State Watch Office

Morning Situation Report

Friday, July 3, 2026



State Emergency Operations Center Activation Level

Level 2: Partial Activation



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Response Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Visits
Region 1: Jim Roberts	In Region	On-Call Status - Governor Declared State Holiday
Region 2: Enrique Gaston	In Region	On-Call Status - Governor Declared State Holiday
Region 3: Glen Hammers	In Region	On-Call Status - Governor Declared State Holiday
Region 4: Tara Kostich	In Region	On-Call Status - Governor Declared State Holiday
Region 5: Austin Beeghly	In Region, Seminole	On-Call Status / Special Event
Region 6: Paul Siddall	In Region	On-Call Status - Governor Declared State Holiday
Region 7: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 8: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 9: Brittany Bremer	Miami-Dade	FIFA Match Activation
Region 10: Claudia Baker	Miami-Dade	FIFA Match Activation



Region 7 Coverage Provided By Response Coordinator 6
Region 8 Coverage Provided By Response Coordinator 5
Region 9 Coverage Provided By Response Coordinator 5
Region 10 Coverage Provided By Recovery Coordinator 10

Status
Normal Operations
Out of Service / Unavailable



Recovery Regional Coordination Team

Team	County Location	Status / Activities
Region 1: Allison Blevins	In Region	Off/Holiday
Region 2: Justin Lazzara	Out of Region	Not Available
Region 3: Kevin Blom	In Region	Off/Holiday
Region 4: Joshua Saunders	In Region	Off/Holiday
Region 5: Elizabeth Caison	In Region	Off/Holiday
Region 6: Rick Rogers	In Region	Off/Holiday
Region 7: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 8: Vacant	N/A	N/A (See Coverage)
Region 9: Brian Geoghegan	In Region	Off/Holiday
Region 10: Brian Lee	Broward	FIFA Games Support

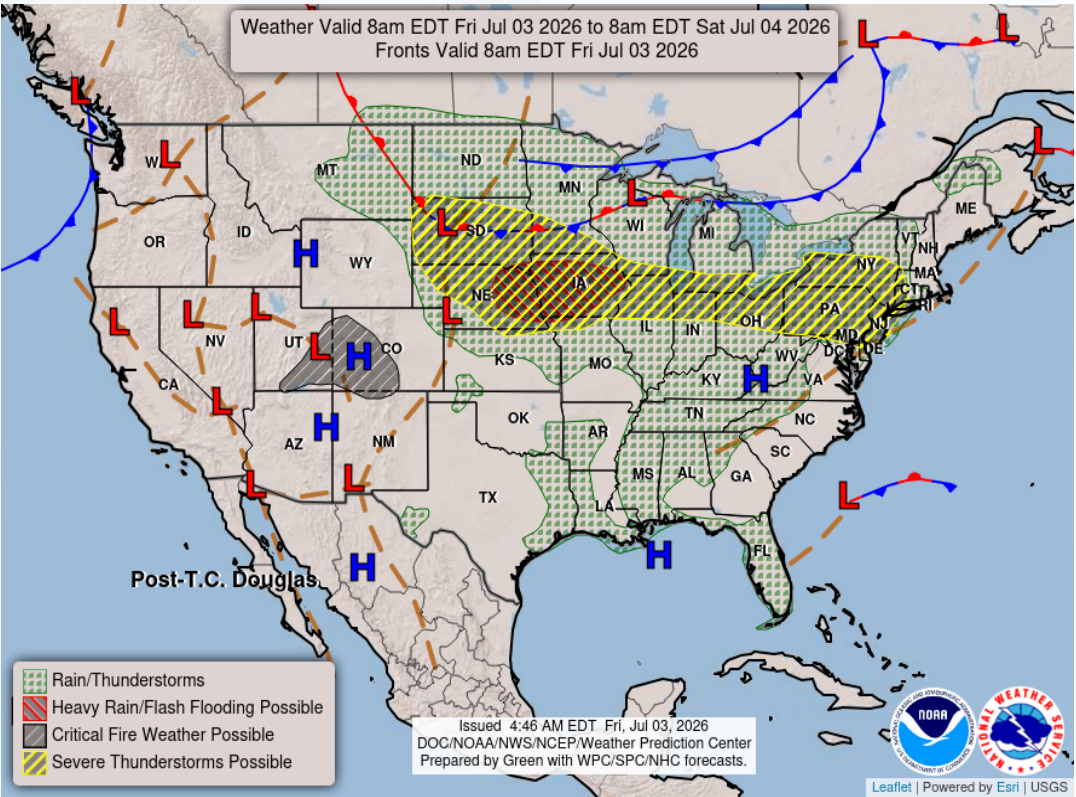
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Status
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In Region / Delayed Response
Deployed / Delayed Response
Out of Service / Unavailable

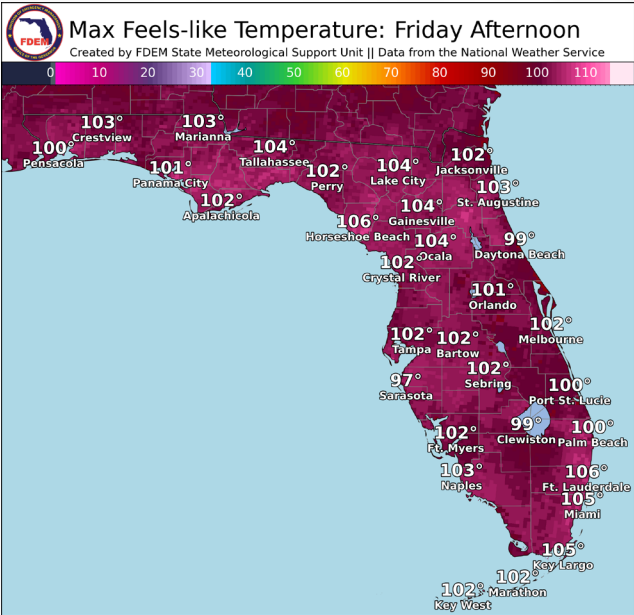
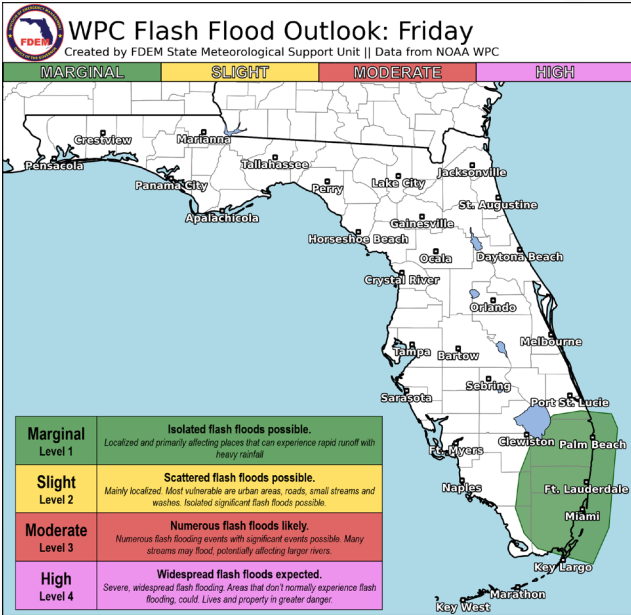


Meteorology Summary



Today's Weather Map

Threat	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10
Lightning		L	L	L	L	M	M	H	H	H
Tornado										
Damaging Wind										
Hail										
Flash Flooding								L	L	L
Extreme Heat	L	L	M	L	L	L	L	M	L	M
Fog (Overnight)										
Wildfire	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L
Rip Currents	M	M	L	H	M	L		M	L	L
Lake Okeechobee Elevation	10.91 ft. (2.53 ft. <u>Below</u> Normal)									
Keetch-Byram Drought Index	367 (+7) on a scale from 0 (very moist) to 800 (very dry)									





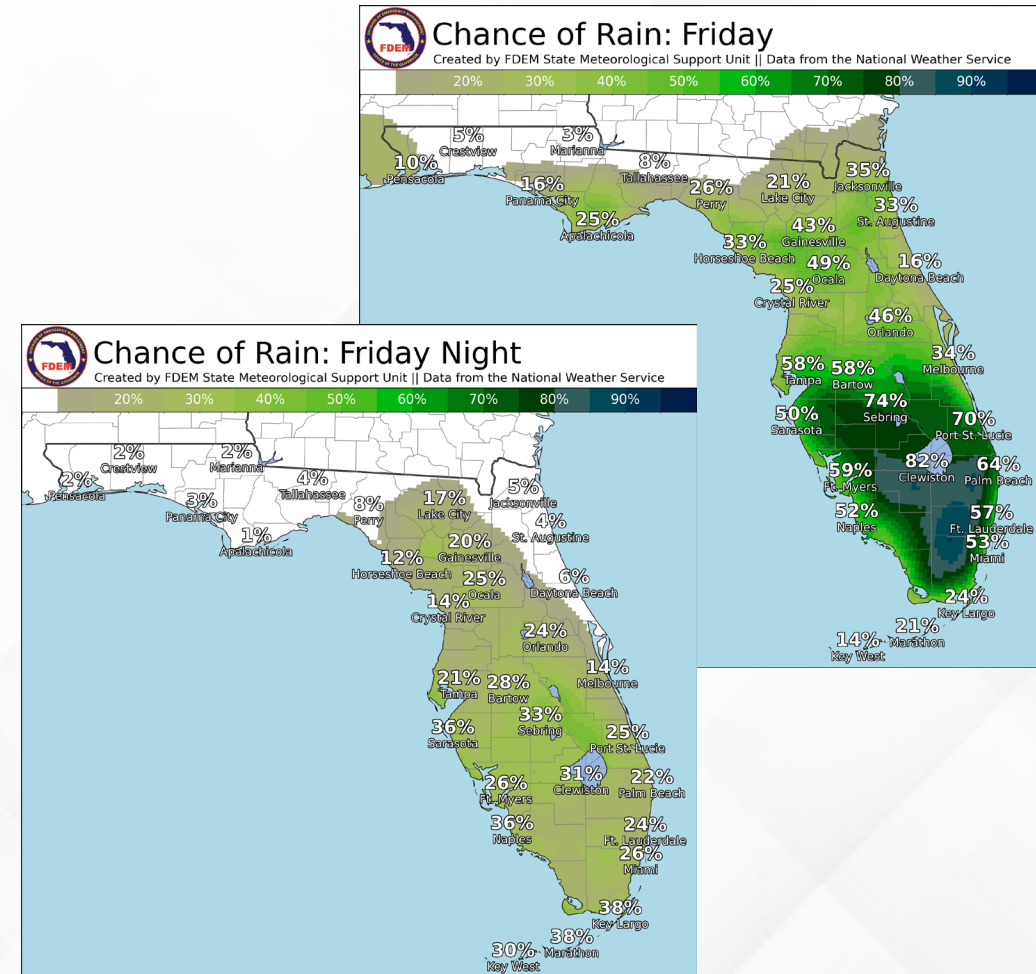
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Statewide Overview, Next 24 Hours:

Unseasonably dry air has filtered in across North Florida, limiting the development of typical showers and storms today to an isolated chance (20-30%) along coastal Panhandle and Northeast Florida locations. On the flipside, seasonable moisture across South Florida and weak flow will promote prolific shower and thunderstorm development (50-90%) this afternoon. Showers and storms will develop initially along both coast's sea-breeze boundaries, likely between 12-2PM today. Storm activity will then generally focus more towards interior South Florida locations in the late afternoon/early evening hours as both sea-breeze boundaries push inland and collide over the central portions of the state. A localized **Marginal Risk (level 1 of 4) for Flash Flooding** is outlooked across Southeast Florida to reflect the potential of an isolated instance of flash flooding given the expected slow and meandering storm motion. Although there is no organized risk for severe weather today, any thunderstorm could become **locally strong to severe**, capable of producing frequent lightning and isolated damaging wind gusts.

Afternoon high temperatures will soar into the **middle to upper 90s** across North Florida under clear skies and bountiful solar heating. Temperatures across South Florida will remain closer to the **lower 90s**. Dry air across North Florida will limit feels-like temperatures, while moist air across South Florida will raise feels-like temperatures. The result is a largely uniform distribution of max feels-like temperatures this afternoon, with most locations rising into the **lower to middle 100s** this afternoon.

Tonight, any shower or thunderstorm activity within the Peninsula will begin to dissipate or push offshore before midnight (25-40% chance of rain). Lows will fall into the middle 70s to lower 80s statewide.



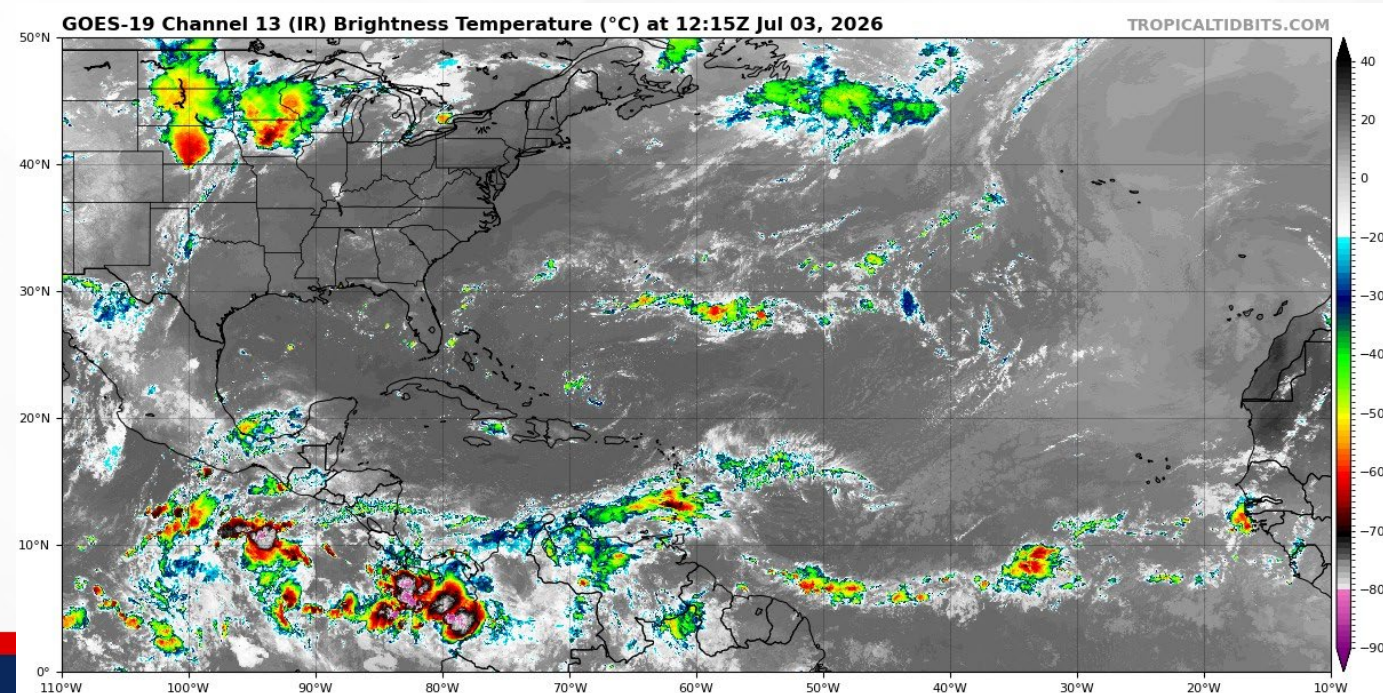
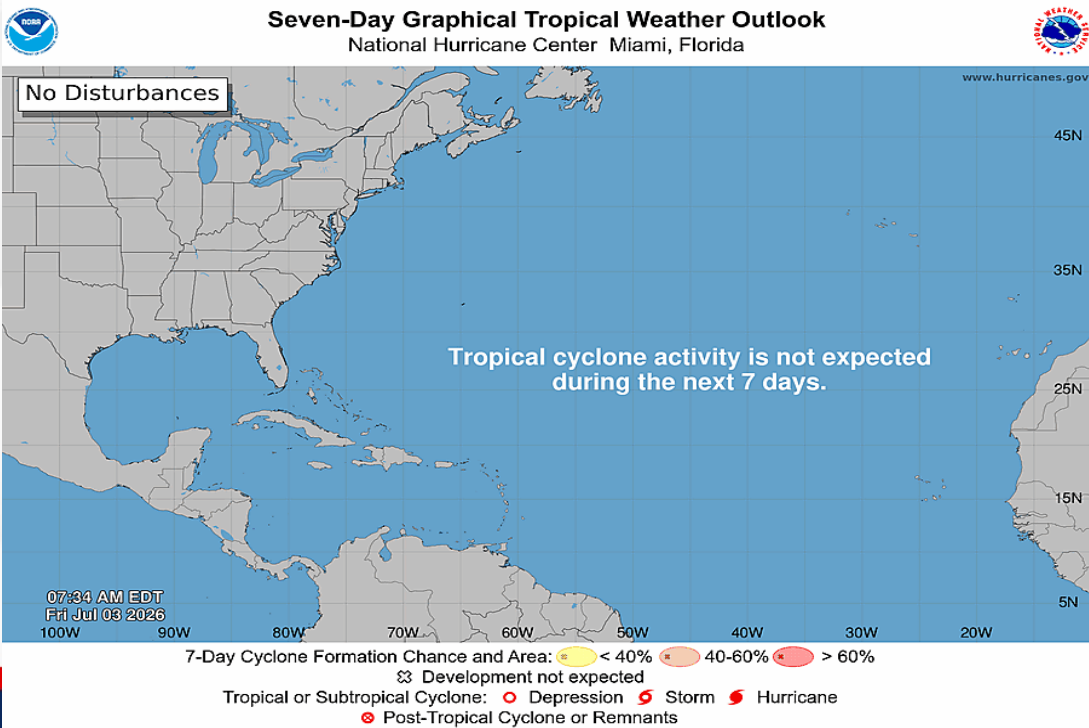


Tropical Weather

For the latest on the tropics, please visit the National Hurricane Center (NHC) at www.hurricanes.gov.

Tropical Cyclone Development is NOT Expected Over the Next 7 Days

Current Satellite Imagery





Coastal Hazards & Hydrology

Rip Currents: A localized **high risk for rip currents** is outlooked across Florida's First Coast today. A **moderate risk for rip currents** is outlooked for most other East Coast and Panhandle beaches today. A low risk is expected for all other beaches along the West Coast, Southeast Florida, and the Western Panhandle. For the latest Rip Current Outlook, visit www.weather.gov/beach.

Marine Hazards: Surf heights remain elevated along the East Coast today, with waves of **3-5'** expected. Surf near 1-2' is expected for all other Florida beaches.

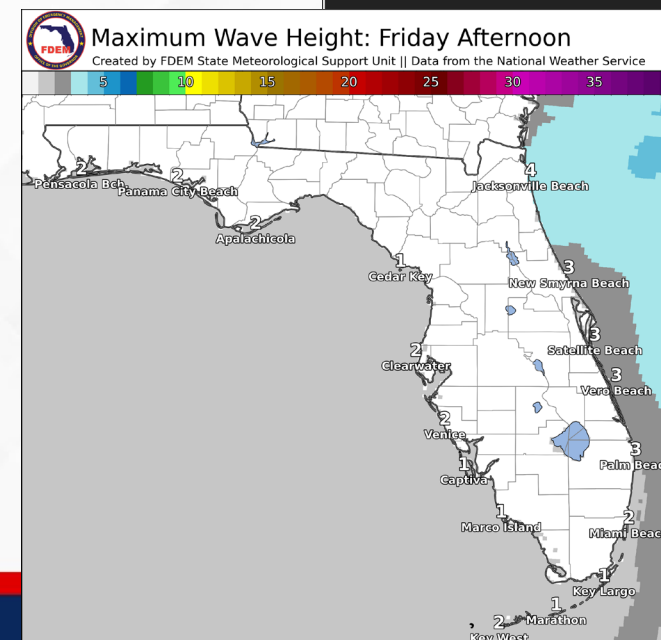
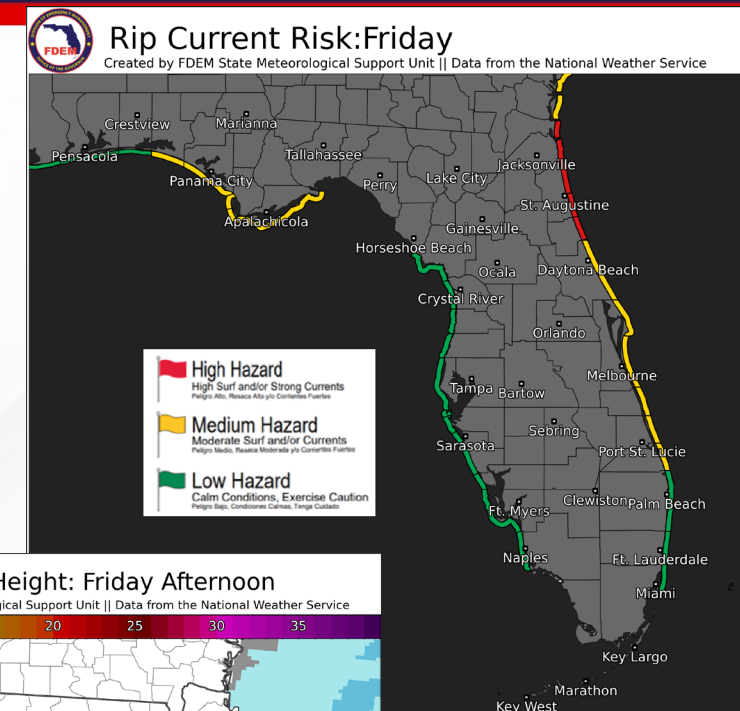
Red Tide: was observed at background concentrations in Nassau county over the past week. It was not observed elsewhere across the state (valid 6/26/26).

Coastal Flooding: There are no current coastal flood alerts for the state.

Flash Flooding: Scattered to numerous showers and thunderstorms will develop today across South Florida, many of which may become **locally strong** and accompanied by **torrential downpours**. Slow storm motions and very efficient rain-makers introduce the potential for isolated instances of flash flooding, prompting the issuance of localized **Marginal Risk for Flash Flooding (level 1 of 4)** across Southeast Florida. Rainfall amounts will generally remain around 1" for most locations, however locally higher totals **upwards of 2-3"** cannot be ruled out in areas that receive repeated rounds of heavy rainfall. For more information, visit the Weather Prediction Center.

Riverine Flooding: The Choctawhatchee River near Bruce-Ebro is the only river still in action flood stage from flash flooding two weeks ago. This river is forecast to recede below action flood stage later today. All other rivers have receded below action flood stage at this point. For more information, visit the River Forecast Center.

Lake Okeechobee's average elevation is 10.93 feet, which is within the operational band and is 2.48 feet **below** normal for this time of year.



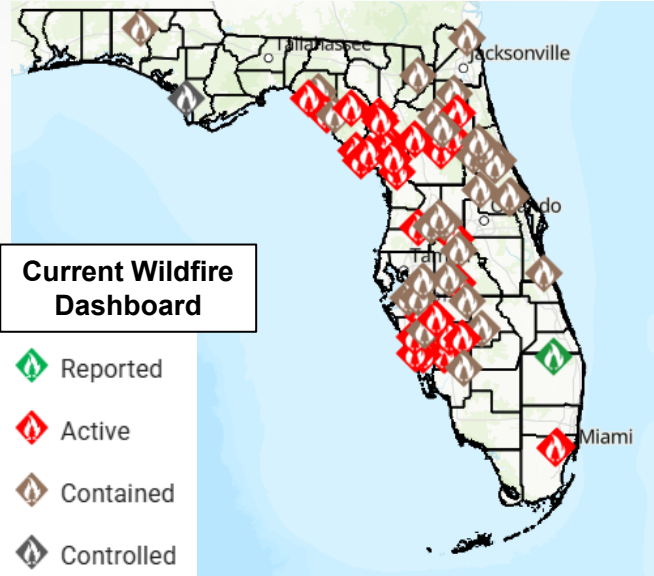
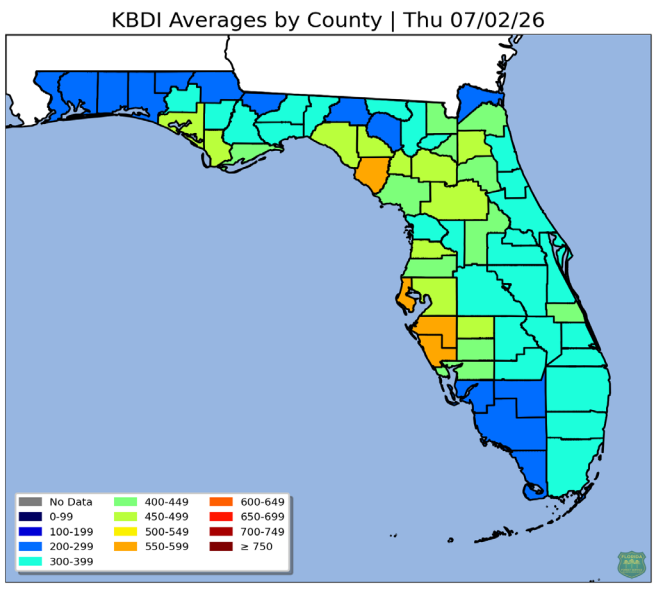
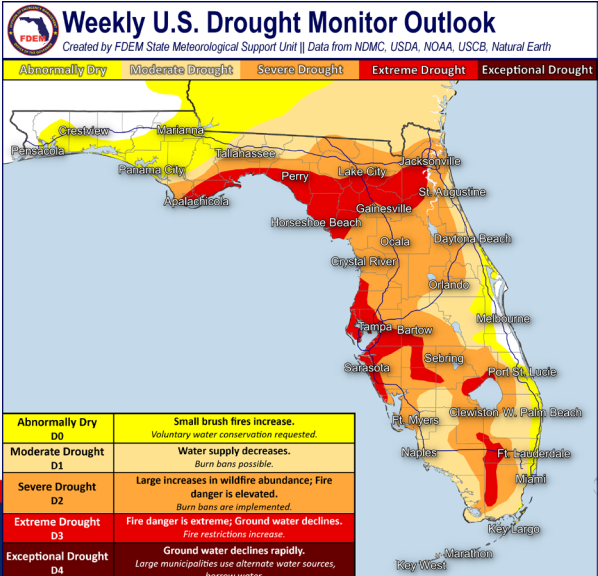


Drought & Fire Weather

Fire Weather: Drier post-frontal air will remain across the northern portions of the state today where relative humidities will fall to unseasonably low levels, into the middle 30s to lower 40s. Given the lack of rainfall in recent days and multiple days of hot temperatures, **sensitive wildfire conditions** may develop across these locations. The wildfire threat will remain low across the Peninsula given light winds and high humidity, but high chances for afternoon thunderstorms could ignite new wildfires or reignite existing ones. According to the [Florida Forest Service](#), there are 66 active wildfires across the state burning approximately 28,209 acres.

Drought (6/30/26): A more seasonal distribution and amount of rainfall over the past week driven by sea breeze showers and thunderstorms brought near normal rainfall to much of the state, resulting in very few changes to the Drought Monitor update this week. Across North Florida, a bit more of the Panhandle has been removed from any drought category this week. Across the Big Bend and Northeast Florida, the **extreme drought (level 3 of 4)** remains in place along the Forgotten Coast and extending inland into the lower Suwannee River Valley and upper St. Johns River basin. **Moderate to severe drought (level 1-2 of 4)** still surrounds this area of extreme drought, including in northern Suwannee and Hamilton counties which have been downgraded to a **severe drought (level 2 of 4)**. Throughout Central Florida, no changes were observed on this week's update. The West-Central coast remains under an **extreme drought (level 3 of 4)** with **moderate to severe drought (level 1-2 of 4)** persisting across much of the I-4 corridor and interior Central Florida. The East-Central coastline remains under no drought category this week, with abnormally dry (*receding drought*) just inland. In South Florida, the only changes this week were observed across interior Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Hendry counties. Some of the **extreme drought (level 3 of 4)** has expanded in interior Miami-Dade and Broward counties and **severe drought (level 2 of 4)** in interior Palm Beach and Hendry counties. Looking ahead, drier air will begin to filter out of North Florida later this weekend bringing rainfall chances back to the area. Typical seasonal sea breeze showers and thunderstorms will persist each day statewide which will bring some localized drought improvements in areas that do receive rainfall, however with hot temperatures expected any areas that fail to see the scattered rainfall will see drought persist or worsen.

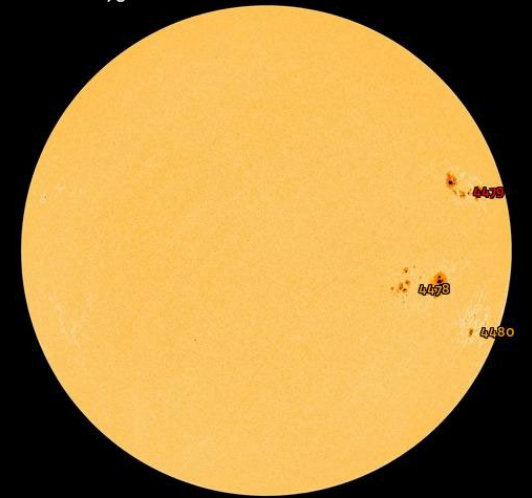
The **Keetch-Byram Drought Index** average for Florida is **367 (+7)** on a scale from 0 (very wet) to 800 (very dry). There are **4 out of 67** Florida counties that have an average KBDI above 500 (drought/increased fire danger).





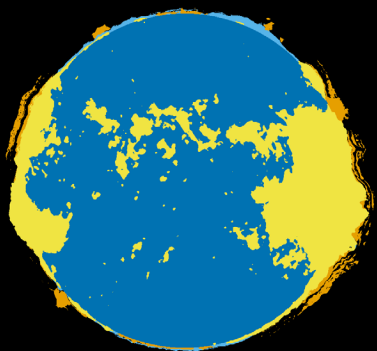
Space Weather

HMI Intensitygram



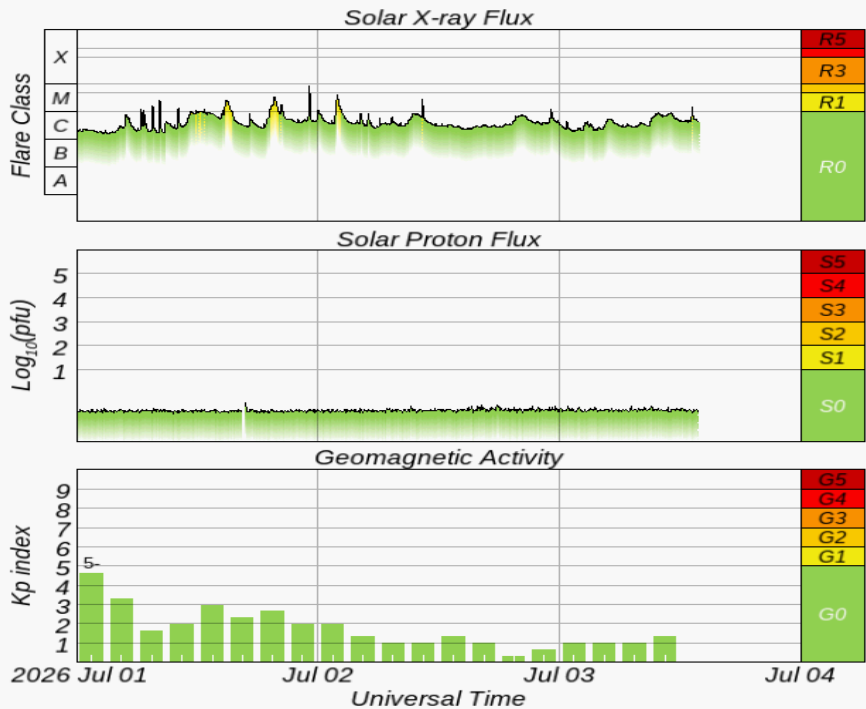
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Current Sunspots



- Flare
- Limb
- Quiet Sun
- Coronal Hole
- Prominence
- Filament
- Bright Region
- Outer Space
- Unlabeled

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Space Weather: Solar activity will likely remain at moderate levels through Sunday with a slight chance for X-class flares, particularly from Region 4479. Any M-class flares will be accompanied by minor to moderate (R1-R2) radio blackouts, and X-class flares strong (R3) radio blackouts. The Coronal Mass Ejection (CME) that left the Sun on 6/30 will induce disturbed solar wind conditions through Sunday and beyond, aided by additional CME activity. CME arrival will cause periods of G1 (Minor) to G2 (Moderate) storming possible on Friday and Saturday. A geomagnetic (G2) storm watch is currently in effect. The overall space weather threat to Florida remains low.

Solar Flare Risk	Active Watches & Warnings	Past 24 hours
M-class: 70%	Geomagnetic Storm: G2 Storm Watch (7/3)	M1 Solar Flare
X-class: 20%	Radiation Storm: None	R1 Radio Blackout
48-Hour Geomagnetic Forecast		
7/3		7/4
Max Kp= 6 (G2)		Max Kp= 6 (G2)
Chance of minor activity = 35% severe activity = 15%		Chance of minor activity = 35% severe activity = 20%



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SWO Tracker:	https://swo.floridadisaster.org	Operational	
SLERS:	DEM Statewide	Operational	
FNARS:	WGY974	Not Operational	System in Transition
Federal NAWAS:	State Watch Office	Not Operational	System in Transition
EMnet Message:	FL.000 - State Watch Office	Not Operational	System in Transition
EMnet Voice:	FL SWP - State Watch Office	Not Operational	System in Transition
IPAWS:	300006 - FL Florida Division of Emergency Management	Operational	
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